

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
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For: NUCLEIC ACID AND CORRESPONDING
PROTEIN ENTITLED 121PIF1 USEFUL IN
TREATMENT AND DETECTION OF
CANCER

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**AFTER FINAL
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE --
EXAMINING GROUP 1643**

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the final Office Action dated October 24, 2008, for which a response is due on January 24, 2009. This response is filed within two months of the issuance of the final Office Action, and therefore qualifies for expedited review. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.